HOUSE BILL 2143

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AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 8, Chapter 4 and Title 40, Chapter 33, Part 2, relative to civil asset forfeiture proceeds.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-33-216(a), is amended by adding the following as a new, appropriately designated subdivision:

How proceeds derived from forfeited assets are used by the department;

SECTION 2. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-33-216, is amended by adding the following new subsection:

(c) The information reported by the department in Section 1 and to the department in Section 3 shall be made accessible to the public on the department's website through a prominent link provided on the home page.

SECTION 3. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 40-33-211(a), is amended by designating the existing language as subdivision (a)(1) and by adding the following new subdivision:

(2) The comptroller's regular audit of a local government shall also include how proceeds derived from forfeited assets are used by county or municipal law enforcement or by a judicial district drug task force. The comptroller of the treasury shall provide information obtained during an audit pursuant to this subdivision (a)(2) to the department for publication on the department's website in accordance with § 40-33-216(c).

SECTION 4. For the purposes of promulgating rules, policies, forms, and procedures and making necessary provisions for the implementation of this act, this act shall take effect

upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, this act shall take effect July 1, 2018, the public welfare requiring it.